

## **NOTICE OF PROPERTY TAX INCREASE**

The Decatur County Board of Commissioners has tentatively adopted a millage rate which, without considering the Fire Services District, the Recreational Authority and Hospital Indigent Care Cost, will not require an increase in property taxes for the year 2015. However, when consideration is given to the levy required as a result of the Service Delivery Strategy Agreement for the Fire Services District, the Recreational Authority and Hospital Indigent Care Cost, there will be an increase in property taxes of 23.66 percent in Bainbridge, 31.13 percent for other municipalities in the county and 36.20 percent for the unincorporated areas.

All concerned citizens are invited to the Public Hearings on this tax increase to be held in the Commissioner's Meeting Room at the Decatur County Administration Building located at 203 W. Broughton Street, Bainbridge, Georgia on the 8th day of September, 2015 at 8:30 o'clock a.m. and at 6:30 o'clock p.m.

Time and place of an additional Public Hearing on this tax increase will be held in the Commissioner's Meeting Room at the Decatur County Administration Building located at 203 W. Broughton Street, Bainbridge, Georgia on the 22nd day of September, 2015 at 6:30 o'clock p.m.

The tentative increase, when the Fire Services District, the Recreation Authority and Hospital Indigent Care Cost are factored in will result in a millage rate of 14.11 mills in the City of Bainbridge, 14.96 mills in the City of Attapulgus, 14.96 mills in the Town of Brinson, 14.96 mills in the City of Climax and 15.54 mills in unincorporated Decatur County, an increase of 2.70, 3.55, 3.55, 3.55 and 4.13 mills respectively. Without this tentative tax increase, the millage rate will be no more than 11.46 mills. The proposed tax increase for a home with a fair market value of \$100,000.00 is approximately \$103 in the City of Bainbridge, \$135 in the City of Attapulgus, \$135 in the Town of Brinson, \$135 in the City of Climax and \$157 in unincorporated Decatur County, an increase of 23.66%, 31.13%, 31.13%, 31.13% and 36.20% respectively. The proposed tax increase for non-homestead property with a fair market value of \$75,000.00 is approximately \$81 in the City of Bainbridge, \$107 in the City of Attapulgus, \$107 in the Town of Brinson, \$107 in the City of Climax and \$124 in unincorporated Decatur County.